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DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN BIHAR AND UTTAR PRADESH
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of tourism projects received by the Union Government so far from the State Governments of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh for grant of central financial assistance during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the financial assistance granted to each project;

(c) the tourism projects which are under consideration of the Union Government for granting financial assistance during 2008-09;and

(d) the time by which the financial assistance is likely to be released for such projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT.AMBIKA SONI)

(a) & (b): The development and promotion of places of tourism interest is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/UTs.However,Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance for the tourism projects in the States/ UTs on the basis of projects prioritized in consultation with the State Governments/UT Administration under various schemes.The Central Financial Assistance sanctioned during the period 2005-06 to 2007-08 to the tourism projects in U.P. is Rs.8609.92 lakh and for Bihar Rs.4344.27 lakh.

(c) & (d): The following projects which were complete as per the guidelines of MoT,have so far been sanctioned in the year 2008-09 to the States of Bihar and UP:

Bihar
(Rs.in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount sanctioned
1.	Development of Lauriya Nandan Garh	134.87
2.	Development of Vaishali (Kolhua)	388.97
3.	Development of Sujata Kutir-Bakror,Bodhgaya	158.04
4.	Dev. of Tourism infrastructure at Pragbodhi Hills,Bodhgaya	156.50

Uttar Pradesh

1.	Development of Sultanpur as a Tourist Circuit	423.13
2.	Development of Amethi as a Tourist Circuit	576.71